

I understand the local stations being upset at the lower income they may or may not receive due to XM, but if they offered quality program that their consumer wanted than this would not be an issue. Why not let the market dictate if we have XM and the programs they offer. It really says a lot that I would prefer to PAY for radio than to listen to what is offered for free.

There are many ways to receive traffic and weather other than by car radio. For instance, the only reason I purchased a radar detector was for local weather in the areas that I travel. Also, I can access the information by internet and my local TV stations. These are all directly competeing with the radio stations yet, I do not see the FCC looking into these areas.

In summary, I have had XM radio since Christmas 2003. I have not listened to local radio since 2002. Prior to that I listened to personal music devices in my car and gained my weather and traffic reports from other sources. It is not XM's fault that I am unhappy with local radio programming, they see the nitch in the market and are filling it. Why punish XM? If the radio stations want to compete they need to do so by better programing rather than by lobby groups and law suits.

Thank you for your time and have a nice day.

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